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SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Date of Interview

January 9, 2007

Exhibits and/or Demonstrations

None

Identification of Claims Discussed

Independent Claims 1 and 12 were discussed in reference to 35 U.S.C. § 103 rejections.

Identification of Prior Art Discussed

(1) U.S. Patent No. 6,143,352, issued November 7, 2000, to Clark et al. (hereinafter “the ‘352 patent”).

(2) International Application Publication WO 96/10374 (hereinafter “WO ‘374”).

Proposed Amendments

None provided for interview.

Principal Arguments and Other Matters

Applicants’ representative asserted that the claims distinguish the claimed invention over the ‘352 patent. Applicants’ representative and Examiner Ghali discussed the differences between the cited art (the ‘352 patent and WO ‘374) and the present claims, and in particular the disclosure of one encapsulation process taught in the ‘352 patent. At the conclusion of the interview, Applicants’ representatives agreed to submit an amendment that incorporates claim amendments and arguments distinguishing the ‘352 patent.

Results of Interview

Applicants’ representatives agreed to amend the claims and present arguments in accordance with the points raised during the discussion with Examiner Ghali.